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BERLIN.

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1. AT MAY 7 TRIPARTITE BONN GROUP MEETING US REP MADE
STRONG PRESENTATION PER REF A, RECAPITULATING POINTS MADE
DURING PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS OF ISSUE. UK REP SAID HE
WOULD REPORT, BUT EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT MATTER
SHOULD BE REOPENED AFTER AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED
FOLLOWING MANY MONTHS OF DIFFICULT TRIPARTITE NEGOTIA-
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2. UK REP SAID HE WAS ABLE TO RESPOND TO US/FRENCH

MARCH 18 PRESENTATION ON YUGOSLAV REQUEST FOR LANDING RIGHTS. HE SAID LONDON'S STRONG PREFERENCE IS TO TELL THE YUGOSLAVS THAT THE ALLIES WOULD CONSIDER JAT'S APPLICATION FOR LANDING RIGHTS IN WEST BERLIN WHEN JAT COULD REPORT IT HAD OBTAINED GDR OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS. HOWEVER, AS "LAST RESORT" IF THERE WAS STRONG FEELING THAT LANDING RIGHTS WOULD HELP JAT GET OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS, LONDON WOULD "BE PREPARED TO CONTEMPLATE" GRANTING LANDING RIGHTS ON FOLLOWING CONDITIONS: A) THEY WOULD TAKE EFFECT ONLY WHEN THOSE OF SAS AND AUA LAPSE; AND B) WHEN TWO OF THE THREE CARRIERS WHICH WOULD THEN HAVE RIGHTS (KLM, THY, AND JAT) ARE ABLE TO MAKE USE OF THEM, THOSE OF THE REMAINING CARRIER WOULD BE SUSPENDED (THIS IS, OF COURSE, BASICALLY THE "VIENNA FORMULA"). UK REP SAID LONDON WILLING TO CONSIDER THE ABOVE ONLY BECAUSE THE BRITISH RECOGNIZE THAT JAT PROBABLY WELL-PLACED TO OBTAIN GDR OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS, SO GRANT TO YUGOSLAVS WOULD BE GOOD TEST CASE. US REP WELCOMED THIS APPARENT SHIFT IN UK POSITION AND URGED LOGIC OF APPLYING "VIENNA FORMULA" ON ACROSS-THE-BOARD BASIS TO WESTERN CARRIERS WANTING WSB LANDING RIGHTS.

3. IN LATER PRIVATE DISCUSSION, UK REP SAID THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OFFICER AND UK BERLIN DESK OFFICER (PARA 3 REF A). LATTER, SAID UK REP, WAS REFERRING ONLY TO JAT CASE AND NOT TO BROADER APPLICATION.
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